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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Official Action mailed on June 1, 2006. An R.C.E. and an Interview Request (form 413A) are filed herewith. Payment for the R.C.E. is attached. No extension fee is due. Please charge our Deposit Account No. 18-0002 if any additional fees are needed to enter this paper, and please advise us accordingly. This paper is a petition for extension of time, if needed.

New claim 18 is supported at page 5, lines 3-11 in the specification.

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